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TAGS: ETRD, MTN, GT, HO, NU, CS, ES  
SUBJECT: MTN: CONSULTATIONS WITH HIGH LEVEL CENTRAL  
AMERICAN DELEGATION

REF: GENEVA 8895

1. SUMMARY: DURING TWO SESSIONS WITH CENTRAL AMERICAN  
(CA) MINISTERIAL LEVEL DELEGATION, USMTN DEL WELCOMED CA  
PARTICIPATION IN FINAL PHASES OF NEGOTIATIONS, INDICATING  
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NEED FOR PROMPT IDENTIFICATION OF CA CONTRIBUTIONS. CA  
DELS PRESENTED A PRIORITY LIST OF THEIR UNFULFILLED  
REQUESTS AND STATED ORALLY THE NATURE OF THEIR POSSIBLE  
CONTRIBUTIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. AMBASSADOR MCDONALD AND CULBERT, ET AL, HELD TWO  
SESSIONS WITH CA DELS JUNE 22 AND 23. AMB. MCDONALD

WELCOMED POSITIVE CA MTN PARTICIPATION, AND OUTLINED STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS AND NEED FOR CA CONTRIBUTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. CA DELS PRESENTED PRIORITY LIST OF PRODUCTS ON WHICH INITIAL OR IMPROVED U.S. OFFERS WERE SOUGHT (LIST BEING HAND-CARRIED WASHINGTON BY STR COOPER). IN DISCUSSING POSSIBLE CA CONTRIBUTIONS, SIECA DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL TREJOS SAID THAT WHILE CA UNWILLING TO RESPOND ON A PRODUCT BY PRODUCT BASIS TO REQUESTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS CACM CONTRIBUTION WOULD BE OF A GLOBAL NATURE, INCLUDING FOLLOWING THREE ELEMENTS: 1. ADOPTION OF REVISED TARIFF AND CUSTOMS PRACTICE (INCLUDING ADOPTION OF BRUSSELS NOMENCLATURE), DRAFT OF WHICH IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW BY CA COUNTRIES; 2. POSITIVE CONSIDERATION OF JOINING CODES UNDER NEGOTIATIONS; AND 3. POSITIVE CONSIDERATION OF EVENTUAL GATT MEMBERSHIP BY FOUR CA NON-GATT MEMBERS.

4. WE WELCOMED GENERAL NATURE OF CA CONTRIBUTION, BUT NOTED IMPORTANCE OF ALSO TAKING SOME ACTIONS ON SPECIFIC PRODUCTS OF INTEREST TO US. WE ALSO SUGGESTED ISSUANCE OF WRITTEN "DECLARATION OF INTENT" ON CONTRIBUTIONS, WHICH TO HAVE MAXIMUM EFFECT SHOULD BE TABLED PRIOR TO JULY 15, AND UNDERTOOK TO REVIEW THEIR LIST OF PRIORITY REQUESTS. MEETING ENDED WITH POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL MEETING JUNE 28, PRIOR TO RETURN OF DELEGATIONS TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CAPITALS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE BY COB JUNE 27 WHETHER U.S. ABLE TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IN U.S. OFFERS ON CA PRIORITY REQUEST LIST, ESPECIALLY THOSE LISTED BELOW. (WE WOULD NOT MAKE FIRM OFFERS ON ANY OF THESE AT THIS TIME BUT WOULD LIKE TO USE PROSPECT OF ADDITIONAL U.S. OFFERS TO NEGOTIATE WRITTEN CA "DECLARATION OF INTENT" ON CONTRIBUTIONS PRIOR TO JULY 15.)

125.80 LIVE PLANTS, CONFIRM OFFER OF EX-OUT FOR CA PLANTS MADE IN U.S. TP OFFER.

138.50 VEGETABLES, FRESH, EX-OUT FOR CA PRODUCTS.

148.93 AND 148.96 FRESH PINEAPPLES: CAN WE INDICATE A U.S. OFFER IS POSSIBLE?

170.40 FILLER TOBACCO AND 170.66 CIGARS: IS ANY IMPROVEMENT POSSIBLE?

6. DRAFTED BY KNEPPER. MCDONALD

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